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Atty. Dkt. No. 035568-0102

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Allemann et al.

Title: Jig Assembly

Appl. No.: 10/664,034

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a preliminary amendment in the above-identified application.

Preliminary Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.115 (8 pages).

The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims As Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Additional Claims Fee
Total Claims:	46	-	47	= 0 x \$18.00	= \$0.00
Independents:	3	-	3	= 0 x \$86.00	= \$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:			+	\$290.00	= \$0.00
CLAIMS FEE TOTAL					= \$0.00

[] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[]	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	\$0.00
[]	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$420.00	\$0.00
[]	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$950.00	\$0.00
[]	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,480.00	\$0.00
[]	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,010.00	\$0.00
	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:		\$0.00
[]	Statutory Disclaimer Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d):	\$110.00	\$0.00
	CLAIMS, EXTENSION AND DISCLAIMER FEE TOTAL:		\$0.00
[]	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		\$0.00
	TOTAL FEE:		\$0.00

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 06-1447.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.115

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the present Application, Applicant respectfully requests that the application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: